

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2788
ANSWERED ON:19.12.2003
SCHEMES FOR TRIBAL WOMEN
NANDIPAKU VENKATASWAMY

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched an exclusive scheme for Tribal women namely `Adivasi Mahila Sashastikaran Yojana`;
- (b) if so, the details of the scheme;
- (c) the number of projects approved under the said scheme and financed by NSTFDC during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (d) the number of tribal women who have benefited under the scheme State-wise;
- (e) whether the studies has been conducted to asses the impact of the scheme in making tribal women economically independent and self-reliant; and
- (f) if so, the outcome thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The `Adivasi Mahila Sashaktikaran Yojana (AMSY)` has been launched by the National Scheduled Tribes Finance & Development Corporation (NSTFDC) for providing concessional financial assistance exclusively for eligible Scheduled Tribe women for undertaking economically viable projects costing upto Rs. 50,000/-. Under the Scheme, promoter's contribution is not insisted upon. Rate of interest is charged at 2% p.a. from the State level Channelising Agencies (SCAs) and the SCAs may charge maximum interest @ 4% p.a. from the women beneficiaries. Under the scheme, the maximum repayment period is 10 years, including suitable moratorium period.

(c) to (d) The scheme was launched in April, 2002. The details of sanction etc. are at Annexure.

(e) & (f) No, Sir. The Planning Commission has been assigned the work of carrying out an evaluation study of schemes assisted by the National Scheduled Tribes Finance & Development Corporation (NSTFDC). This study, interalia, shall also assess the impact of AMSY on tribal women.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS `C & D` OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2788 ASK Dr. N. VENKATASWAMY FOR 19/12/2003 REGARDING `SCHEMES FOR TRIBAL WOMEN`

Year 2002-2003 (Rs. in Lakhs)

S. No. Name of the State Sanctions

No. of NSTFDC's No. of Disbursements
Projects share Beneficiaries

1. Andhra Pradesh 1 29.00 100 -

2. Jammu & Kashmir 1 1.90 5 -

3. Maharashtra 8 214.00 800 149.75

4. Madhya Pradesh 1 105.00 300 -

5. Rajasthan	1	34.00	100	13.26
6. Tripura	2	8.00	20	8.00
7 West Bengal	8	233.00	2000	233.00

TOTAL	22	624.90	3325	404.01
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Year 2003-2004 (As on 30/11/03) (Rs. in Lakhs)

S. No.	Name of the State	Sanctions
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No. of Projects	NSTFDC's share	No. of Beneficiaries	Disbursements
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1. Maharashtra	1	7.50	150	-
2. Rajasthan	1	26.25	70	1.50
3. Tripura	1	3.50	10	3.50
4. West Bengal	4	94.50	960	54.50
TOTAL	7	131.75	1190	59.50